#### CHRISTMAS.

DEORE the next issue of the DEM-OCRAT reaches its readers, they will have passed and enjoyed ne noted Christmas holiday, more enerally recognized and observed hristmas as the most joyous sean of the year, and when small hildren we listened to the charmng tales related to us, by our dear nothers, about "old Santa Claus," d how he would harness his big indeer and drive from the cold rigid regions of the North Pole, loaded with his many toys and things they wanted. Oh! how we tried to be real good, and we can now repeat the simple, childish, retiring. And on christmas morning we would find our little stock ings filled to the top, and we could see the very scratches where "old Santa" came down the chimney. to render happy.

We all have much to be happy for, the good Lord and Master has been exceedingly kind to us, and we should give praise and thanksgiving for these numerous blessings. We should remember that the order to be real happy ourselected that we must do our utmost render some one else happy. -There so many people in Bennetts ville who have so much of the good things of this world, and during e christmas holidays will feast and be merry, wonder if they will think of the poor little orphans in town, and the poor widows, who scarcely have firewood, unable to cat turkey or cake, rents and house hold expenses burdening them?

Buildou

Missionary Meeting.

night for the regular prayer-meet-

important church question.

the few who were present.

y the American people, than any ther holiday of the year. From fancy we have looked forward to good things, and how he would buyers. These lots were sold to the last bring to Good Children, the very bidder, one-third of the purchase money remember, the few days just pre-between the sales, while free carriages ceeding Christmas, how hard we ran all day between the place of sale and now repeat the simple, childish, letters we framed, and sent up the letters we framed, and sent up the pr. W. J. Crosland at \$710, followed by chimney on Christmas eve, before lot 29, bought by B. D. Moore at \$595. Now, we are growing older, but we look forward to the Christmas time with expectations of joy and happiness, because we have those in our own household we delight

s, that we must do our utmost

Scotch Singers of Glascow: DECEMBER 27th:

Do not forget the date. Friday evening, December 27th, you will have an opportunity to hear the famous Scotch Singers of Glascow. Come and hear the old fashioned music of Bonnie Scotland, such as "Bonnie Dundee," "Scottish Blue Bells," "Killarney," "Annie Lau rie" and "Auld Lang Syne."

Reserved Seats are now on sale at J. T. Dougias' Drug Store.

#### Murchison Park Sale Tuesday. The Biggest Real Estate Sale Ever Had in Bennettsville.

Last Tuesday morning the "American Last Tuesday morning the "American Realty and Anction Company" conducted the most prodigious real estate sale ever witnessed in our town. This company secured control of the "Murchison Park property situated in town on Darlington street, the property of Mrs Harriet Murchison Beckwith, which was subdivided into residence lots and sold at anction by this company of Greensboro, N. C. They employed the Payetteville North Carolina Brass Band, which fur rished music, and paraded the streets in buss, before the sale.

George Penny and Mr. Bodenhammer stood in a carriage and did the auction eering opposite every lot sold, while the other members of the company moved among the crowd endeavoring to encour cash, one-third in 12 months, the balance in two years. The band furnished music

Lot 30 Mrs Fannie Townsend \$585 Lot 31 by A. L. Hamer for \$525 Lot 23 by Dr. O. A. Mathews, \$445 Lot 25 by Dr. O. M. Mathews, \$443 Lot 24 by B. D. Moore for \$450 Lot 25 by D. D. McColl, Jr., \$435 Lot 26 by Charlie Breeden for \$540 Lot 7 by Thos S. Evans for \$530 Lot 8 by Thos S. Ryans for \$540 Lot 9 by D. D. McColl, Jr., \$480 Lot 10 by W. M. Atkinson for \$400 Lot 11 by W. M. Atkinson for 380 Lot 13 by B. H. Covington \$340 Lot 51 by B. H. Covington for \$405 Lot 52 by W. S. Rowe for \$350 Lot 53 by B. H. Covington for \$355 Lot 54 by B. H. Covington tor \$360 Lot 55 by A. J. Matheson \$355 Lot 56 by John F. Townsend \$515 Lot 57 by J. B. Green for \$630 Lot 58 by I. B. Green for \$800 Matheson for \$625 Lot 46 by B. H. Covington for \$380 Lot 45 by B. H. Covington for \$410

Matheson for \$350

Matheson for \$305

Matheson for \$300 Mitchell for \$180

Evans for \$430

Matheson for \$400

Matheson for \$410 Matheson for \$420

W. Evans for \$390

Lot 40 by B. E. Moore for \$500 Lot 41 by B. H. Covington for \$485

Lots 42 and 43 including the brick residence by W. S. Rowe for \$1500



REAR ADMIRAL

made, go with Evans in his fleet of war vessels from the Atlantic to the Pacific. These States marines. They are in the aggregate the physical flower hefty bouquet-

let us say one

man for every

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Fighting Bob" and His Men

Three Rear Admirals, Sixteen Captains and Fifteer

sand Men Who Man the Ships For the Pacific-Rc

Evans, the Picturesque Veteran Who Commands th

spirit of a young man of In Admiral Evans' flee subordinate commander made distinguished recor naval officers teresting personality ask performances. Rear Adi H. Emory, commander o battleships Georgia, Virg sey and Rhode Island, w gia as his flagship, is dis the navy for his bravery. cy and his dress. Who young officer he marrie of the American navy. And It is

an important incident in

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ing Bob," who is said t

bers 15,000 men, Admiral Evans has se

A Colorado boy was visiting a cousin in New England about Thanksgiving ime and observed the elaborate preparations being made for Thanksgiving. They had Thanksgiving in Colorado, but not on so grand a scale, and he inuired of his New England cousin the bject of it all.

"Why, we thank God for the bless "But you don't thank God for your crops, do you?" asked the Colorado

"Yes, of course we do. Don't you?" "No; we don't depend entirely on

lod for our crops. We irrigate."

THE HERO.

Tay, never falter. No great deed is done By falterers who ask for certainty. No good is certain but the steadfast mind, The undivided will to seek the good.

Tis that compels the clements and wrings A human music from the indifferent air. The greatest gift the hero leaves his race is to have been a hero. Say we fail!

We feed the high tradition of the world and leave our spirit in our children's breasts.

Proving It by the Calendar. In the British museum two men were discussing some Esyptian coins.
"Them there," said one, "must be three or four 'undred years old." "Three thousand, more likely," replied his companion. "Aw, go on! Why, we're only in

1907 now!"-Everybody's.

Sunday Sickness. Morbus sabbaticus is a disease pe culiar to church members. The attack comes on suddenly every Sunday. No symptoms are felt on Saturday night. The patient sleeps well and wakes feeling well, eats a hearty breakfast but about church time the attack comes m and continues until services are over for the morning. Then the paient feels easy and eats a hearty dinier. In the afternoon he feels much etter and is able to take a walk, talk bout politics and read the Sunday papers. He eats a hearty supper, but bout church time he has another atack and stays at home. He retires early, sleeps well and wakes up on donday morning refreshed and able o go to work and does not have any ymptoms of the disease until the folowing Sunday.

North Seeing. Mrs. Walker's cook was trying to nake her mistress realize what she nad missed by not attending the funerd of a prominent citizen of their vil

"Mis' Fanny," she said, "you sholy rto hev been thar. I ain' nevvah seen ech a big funril in dis heah town. Dontcher know dey hed all de keridges fum bofe liberty stables, 'mos' ll de private conveniences, an' dat ew fambly from de nawth was dere a a two horse syringe!"-Lippincott's.

le Only Laughed. "What is the matter, darling?" asked amma when her small son came to

> n particular. Well, I'd like to have you go someere with me," replied his father. All right," said the boy. "Where

> Father suggested a hotel at half t 7, and I was there," the boy goes to tell. "When he appeared he I he wanted me to call with him a lady. 'One I knew quite well

n I was a young man,' he ex

We went out and started straight

'She is staying at our house,' he

thought it strange that he should

e made the appointment for a hotel

ler those circumstances, but said

Well, we went in, and I was intro

ed with all due formality to my

The situation struck me as funny,

I started to laugh. My mother

sister shook hands with me, and

mother said she remembered me as

oy, but hadn't seen much of me

t wasn't a bit funny then, although

she told me one or two anecdotes

ay boyhood, at which we all laugh-

or a little. Then we played games

awbile and enjoyed some light re

hments that mother had prepared.

en'I finally retired I was invited to

again. I went upstairs doing a

I deal of thinking."-Ladies' Home

A London commercial after "work

ing" Glasgow had some time to walt

for his train at St. Enoch station and

ny good man?" he asked of a porter.

"What is the name of this station

A few minutes later he met the same

"What did you call this station, por-

Just then the train was shunted in

and the drummer got comfortably seat

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"St. Enoch's. Dae ye no see

name abune the hotel there?"

bethought himself of a little joke.

"St. Enoch station, sir."

orter and said:

in laugh over it now. I sat down

Then she invited me to be

Il I meet you?"

ther and sister.

# Scrap Book = HOLLONY GOOF

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wood or straw, or otherwise tres when about half grown, now full Red Springs and 1½ miles from main line of A. Coast Line Rallroad. Twenty acres clearep. Imber and wood will pay the expense of clearing. Price \$2,000. Terms

One of the company of the raise tress when about half grown, now passing on lands owned or controlled by me in Bennettsyille and Smithville Towns ips.

J. F. EVERETT.

Dec 6th. J. F. EVERETT, Dec 6th. Oct, 28, 1907.

FOR SALE ting; fishing, cutting, or hauling A perfectly tame squirel. Caught R. F. D. 2. Blenheim S. C.

Lot 38 by A. Lot 39 by A.

Immediately after this sale Mayor P. On Thursday night the 12th, the

#### ing service of the Presbyterian church, Rev. C. H. Pratt, of Rich-BEAUTIFUL COUNTRY HOME.

mond, Va, lectured on missions. The weather b ing so cold and un-comfortable there were only 23 the Southern Cultivator wrote persons present to hear that thor- an article about his visit to ough, instructive, learned and high last issue of the Cultivator, important church question.

Marlboro County, and in his last issue of the Cultivator, in writing on the subject of heartifying country bomes, he This young divine is a representative of the Southern Presbyterian church, and is visiting the diftry home that made one's very This young divine is a represenferent presbyteries in North and South Carolina, for the purpose of presenting the important interest. W. Adams has built a home and obligations of missions. He is with every modern convenience. thoroughly educated and conse- He has telephone, electric lights, ornted christian gentleman, and water works, bath tubs, sewe-leas fully informed himself on his subject, and so impressively and carnestly presents it, one feels his convenience. The building itresponsibility and moral duty in self is handsome —with large tall collumns, and the interior He told how the foreign mission ary fields had been divided between the secretaries of the different denominations and certain ter-

nt denominations and certain terory set apart for the work and tion of Marlboro homes are gain-We are glad that the reputavelopment of each church. ing such enviable publicity, and This is indeed the main work of while Mr. Adams has quite a the church, and all the denomina- moddel home, yet there are ons have apparently been asleep many such homes in Marlboro is said that he is highly pleased with and have just recently awoke to County.—Editor Democrat.

### brist imposed obligation. The oung men and women of all the Marlboro Courts for 1908.

surches have caught the mission- The Supreme Court of this state y zeal and are preparing them- has arranged for the courts of 1908 lves for the different missionary and have assigned the Judges for elds. Quite a number of these the different circuits. In the 4th pecifically equipped men and wo- circuit, in which Marlboro is emen are now waiting for the church braced, the first term of the year furnish the necessary funds to will be presided over by the successor of Judge Aldrich, who is to be elected by the legislature next paring for this work are among the month. The second term of the blest and most intellectual men year by Judge John S. Wilson, and women of the church. About and the third or fall term of 1908 55 was subscribed for missions by by our own Judge R. C. Watts.

Special attention is directed Penny Brothers, the twin auctioneers assisted by Col. D. two notices in this issue, of A. Bodenhammer of Greens-Red Springs, N. C. Both of these tracts of land are well town.

situated, in desireable neighborhoods, surrounded by sev-You will find a nice assortment of J. J. HECKART, President. ral Marlboro citizens, and can e bought at bargains. See Mr. goods on the 10c Counter at the Ben. GEO. BURCHILL, Sec. & Treas. ostic at Red Springs at once. netteville Hardware Co., Store.

The sale was largely attended and the bidding was lively from start to finish. At the termination of the sale George penny scattered \$25 in gold and a bag of joy, love, good cheer and gratitude. Silver out among the crowd, and such scrambling was never before seen. Mr. F. G. Hollis was one of the recipients of a \$5 gold coin. The sale amounted to \$23,465, and 47 lots were sold which averaged nearly \$500 per lot.

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CAPTAIN RICHARD WAINWRIGHT. was saved to the navy an officer who for a generation past has been its most picturesque character and one of its

Rear Admiral Evans is now near the age of retirement for naval officers. It his assignment to command the fleet on the cruise to the Pacific, thus round-

he helped the defeated ma the ship and sent him to th

Rear Admiral Charles M who commands a division . cific bound fleet, consisting ( tleship Minnesota, flagship, battleships Ohio, Maine and entered the Naval academy months later than Robley Admiral Thomas has had v experience as an educator as of seamen. For years he w instructor in ordnance and charge of the infantry bat cadets at the Naval academy Captain Richard Wainwri manding the battleship Lou one of the notable heroes of ish-American war. At the n tle of Santiago he was in con the torpedo boat destroyer G a converted yacht. He dashed thickest of the fight and destr Spanish torpedo boats Furor ton. Later he captured without ance the Porto Rican harbor nica for use as a landing plac army of General Miles. The t

of the navy in presenting Wa a sword from the people of h section said: "There is a roll ( Commander Wainwright, w known as that of the braves, or the brave. On that imperishable roll your name has been written by your coun-

The commander of the battleship Virinia, Captain Seaton Schroeder, has

distinguished himself not only as a naval officer in sea service, but in civil life as governor of the island of Guam for two and a half years. Governor Schroeder established a school system on the island and in other ways helped to Americanize Guam. He is also an

on the cruise to the Pacific, thus rounding out his long career with a service of unusual distinction, which will be and several notable magazine articles.

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